

Appl. No : 10/727,580
Applicants : SAUVAGEAU, Guy et al.
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Title : STEM CELL EXPANSION ENHANCING FACTOR AND METHOD
OF USE
TC./A.U. : 1636
Examiner : DUNSTON, Jennifer Ann
Agent's Docket No.: FC 14632-7
Customer No. : 1059

Mail Stop Amendment
Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
United States

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed September 11, 2006 as a supplement of our response to the Restriction Requirement filed on June 29, 2006, Applicants provisionally elect, albeit with traverse, to prosecute the species of HOXB4 of claims 8 and 19 pursuant to the election of claims of Group II, namely claims 7 to 13 and 18 to 23.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this Amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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